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In re Application of Robert Gentile, et. al.

Application No. 10/722,344

Filed: November 24, 2003

Attorney Docket No. 500219.02

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed April 10, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the Final Rejection of August 10, 2007. The proposed reply required for consideration of a petition to revive must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2)), an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and submission (37 CFR 1.114), or the filing of a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b). See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(A)(2). A three month extension of time pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the date of abandonment of this application is February 11, 2008.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and fee of \$810, and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114; (2) the petition fee of \$1540; and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

As authorized, \$810 for the filing of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) has been charged to petitioner's deposit account.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Denise Williams at (571) 272-8930.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2123 for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the reply received.

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